GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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LICENCE TO PHARMACEUTICAL UNITS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any policy for issuing of licence of Pharmaceutical Units;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has issued any new guidelines regarding issuance of licence to Pharmaceutical Units by amending the present procedure for issuance of licence;

(d) if so, the reasons therefore;

(e) whether the Government proposes to set up Central Pharmaceutical Authority; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a)&(b): Drugs are manufactured by the pharmaceutical units under the specific manufacturing licences granted in accordance with the provisions of the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Rules made thereunder.

(c): No, Sir.

(d); Does not arise.

(e) & (f): Yes, Sir. It is proposed to setup Central Drug Authority of India as an autonomous body under the Ministry of H & FW with ten divisions dealing with specific subjects. The bill for amending the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 to provide statutory basis for the authority will be introduced in the Parliament for approval.